favourably in spite of persuation by the Delhi Administration; and

(c) what action Government propose to take, to ensure hundred percent salary to the staff of the said school in case the Managing Committee of the school fails to discharge its obligatory duties towards school?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Delhi Administration has intimated that the Managing Committee of the school has not paid its share of the salaries and allowances of the staff of the school since March, 1990.

(c) A show cause notice is contemplated under section 20(1) of the Delhi School Education Act, 1973, indicating the intention of Delhi Administration to take over the management of the school is under issue.

Clearance of Pending Irrigation Projects of Andhra Pradesh

*67. SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh has drawn his attention to the Irrigation Projects of Andhra Pradesh pending for long with the Central Government; and

(b) if so, the details of the Projects pending and policy of the Central Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES AND THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

a *The Status of examination of projects under appraisal*

	Major	Medium
(1) Projects considered by the Advisory Committee and recommended to the Planning Commission for investment clearance	—	
(2) Projects found acceptable by the Advisory Committee subject to certain observations	2	—
(3) Projects appraised for techno-economic viability but consideration deferred by Advisory Committee for want of settlement of inter-State issues	1	—
(4) Projects under appraisal	2	1
(5) Projects sent back to State Government for modification/compliance of observations	10	11

II. Guide-lines for Project clearance

(1) Major and medium irrigation and multi-porpose projects with CCA of more than 2000 hectares require approval of the planning Commission *before their inclusion in the State* Five Year Plans.

(2) The scrutiny of major projects by Central Water Commission of the project reports examined and cleared by Central Organisation of the State Government and the State Level Appraisal Committee is restricted to examination of inter-State aspects, hydrology, dam safety, water availability, water accounting and economic viability.

(3) Where the State level Central Design Organisation do not exist, the examination by the Central Water Commission also covers the scrutiny of design aspects of the projects as well.

(4) The scrutiny of medium projects is on proforma basis.

(5) While major projects also need clearance from environmental and forests angles, medium projects need clearance from forests angle only.

(6) The projects involving resettlement of SC|ST population also need clearance from the Ministry of Welfare on rehabilitation and resettlement aspects.

(7) The processing of major and medium projects at the Centre would take a period of 14 months and 7 months respectively.

The Planning Commission after considering financial as well as other aspects, finally accords investment clearance to major, medium and multipurpose projects recommended to it by the Advisory Committee of Ministry of Water Resources.

Apple Industry in Kashmir Valley

*68. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Apple Industry in Kashmir valley has been completely ruined;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for which this major prime industry of Kashmir is getting a raw deal from the administration;

(c) whether there is any proposal under consideration for bringing apple revolution in Kashmir like Himachal Pradesh and for providing all facilities at concessional rates to all fruit growers; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and what kind of help is proposed to be provided to the apple growers?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR): (a) and (b) The Government of Jammu and Kashmir have reported that horticulture is receiving attention as a priority sector and it is not a fact that the apple industry has been ruined.

(c) and (d): The State Government are providing the following incentives to apple growers in Jammu & Kashmir:—

(i) An assistance of Rs. 10,000|- per ha. during the gestation period of five years for new orchards.

(ii) Farm trials and demonstration of scientific and improved orchard management including provision of Plant Protection chemicals & fertilizers free of cost and supply of subsidised power sprayers.

(iii) Popularisation of high density planting and improved productivity methods. Government of India provides assistanceto J and K, as in the case of ther apple growing States, for supply of quality planting material, mulching, drip irrigation and incentives for rejuvenation of old orchards.